

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 587

Introduced by Assembly Member Negrete McLeod

February 16, 2005

An act relating to Medicare.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 587, as introduced, Negrete McLeod. Medicare: public employees.

The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act requires the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System to approve health benefit plans for certain public employees and annuitants, and authorizes the board to contract with carriers offering health benefit plans.

This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would facilitate the implementation and coordination of the Medicare prescription drug benefit by the Board of Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System, ensuring that health benefits for Medicare-eligible participants continue to be provided in a coordinated and cost-effective manner.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation to facilitate the implementation and coordination of
- 3 the Medicare prescription drug benefit by the Board of
- 4 Administration of the Public Employees' Retirement System,
- 5 ensuring that health benefits for Medicare-eligible participants

- 1 continue to be provided in a coordinated and cost-effective
- 2 manner.

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